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SUBJECT: NEW LETTER FROM BHUTTO

FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ATHERTON FROM SOBER

1. PM BHUTTO HAS WRITTEN ANOTHER LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT (TEXT IN FOLLOWING MESSAGE), EXPRESSING DEEP CONCERN OVER ALLEGED SOVIET PRESSURE ON PAKISTAN AND REPEATING THE STATEMENTS BY SOVIET REPS IN KABUL WHICH WERE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TO US. SPECIFICALLY, THE SOVS WERE SAID TO HAVE RAISED THE QUESTION OF POSSIBLE PAK TERRITORIAL CONCESSIONS TO AFGHANISTAN.

2. RESPONSE TO BHUTTO'S TWO PREVIOUS LETTERS (TO PRESIDENT AND TO SECRETARY) IS PENDING IN S/S 7515991 WHICH IS WITH YOU. IF REPLY AS PROPOSED THEREIN HAS ALREADY BEEN SENT, I SEE NO PARTICULAR PROBLEM ALTHOUGH WE WOULD WISH TO SUPPLEMENT IT LATER WITH REFERENCE TO BHUTTO'S LATEST
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LETTER. ON OTHER HAND, IF REPLY NOT YET SENT, I SUGGEST

IT BE HELD UP UNTIL WE HAVE HAD A CHANCE TO GIVE ADEQUATE
CONSIDERATION TO BHUTTO'S NEWEST LETTER TO THE PRESIDENT.
WILL TRY TO GET YOU FURTHER SUBSTANTIVE RECOMMENDATION
WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS WITH REGARD BOTH TO PROPOSED WRITTEN
REPLY FROM SECRETARY (WHICH WOULD SEEM TO REQUIRE ONLY

SLIGHT MODIFICATION) AND TO POINTS TO BE MADE ORALLY
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